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Dear Friend:

This letter is a follow up of our telephone conversation. I should have written you a long time ago, but I know you will understand when I tell you I have no office help, in fact no help of any kind hardly. Then too we were so long getting the baseball program under way. As things shape up now, we are planning for the season, and hope we will be able to operate.

We open here in Newark Sunday May 16th. This is the official opening of the league season. We are going to play The H'mestead Grays a game the week before, Sunday May 9th, but this will be an exhibition.

I am writing you to ask the grand Queen of Angles band will they play for us at the opening. We are planning the same kind of opening as usual, The American Legion Group, dignitaries etc. I explained to you on the phone, the band did not understand last year, it is the baseball custom for the band to sit on the field with the home team, beside the dugout. There is a twofold purpose. I believe the first one is to be able to have as many seats to sell as possible, but it also lends color to the field, and helps dress things up.

Please let me hear from you as soon as possible, so I will be able to announce that the band will be there.

Very Truly Yours